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MECHTHILD RIEPING, ET AL. : EXAMINER: KERR
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FOR: PROCESS FOR THE :
FERMENTATIVE PREPARATION OF L-
AMINO ACIDS USING STRAINS OF THE
ENTEROBACTERIACEAE FAMILY

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated November 25, 2003, Applicants elect, with
traverse, Group I: Claims 1-15.

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